

**PIMA COUNTY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
FOR THE SERIOUSLY MENTALLY ILL
4400 E. Broadway #300
Tucson, Arizona 85711
February 26, 2008
Minutes**

Committee Members Present:

Ken Karrels, Chair
John S O'Dowd
Elizabeth Edwards
Ellie Schorr
Joe Mucenski
Charlie Arbaugh
Susan Hyder

Committee Members Absent:

Lanice Ameling
Mary Wetzel
Dave Ruitenber

ADVISORS PRESENT:

Yisel Sanchez, ADHS HRC Coordinator
Margery Sheridan, ADHS Division Chief, Bureau for Consumer Rights
Noel Gonzales CPSA
Susan Hodges, CPSA
Michelle Michelson, ACDL

PUBLIC PRESENT:

Barbara
Terri

Issue	Discussion	Action/Outcomes	Responsible Party(ies)	Date Due
Review of minutes from 12/15/07 meeting	December 15, 2007 Minutes	A motion was made to accept the minutes with changes made by Ken. Motion passed unanimously	John moved and Joe seconded that minutes be approved as revised.	N/A
Public Comment	Possible racial discrimination	Barbara will ask DBHS advocate to investigate the possibility of racial discrimination towards her.	Barbara	
DBHS Report:	<p>Margery reported that HRC position was filled prior to hiring freeze. Admin position is currently vacant.</p> <p>Solicitation and or Bid on contract investigation which covered overflow which allowed contract investigator to help out.</p> <p>Copies of requested report from HRC data base distributed to committee members.</p> <p>CPSA quarterly trending analysis distributed to committee.</p>	<p>Agency is currently seeking exceptions through the department of administration to get critical positions approved and filled due to statutory requirements that have to be filled in terms of certain ratios for providing special assistance and meeting time lines.</p> <p>Issue was resolved and had been using the investigator since September until about 3 weeks ago. Investigator, Christina, with majority of investigations passed away</p>	Margery	

		<p>unexpectedly. Agency only has one contract investigator willing to do one investigation at a time. Currently looking at options on how to maximize ability to respond to the incidents requesting request for investigation.</p> <p>Committee will review database reports before deciding on a final draft. Committee will include item in agenda for next meeting.</p> <p>Committee would like to know the frequency of reports and or corrections.</p>		
M & M Reports John O' Dowd-	<p>John received report for a different county, Pima does not review these.</p> <p>List of reports without death reports.</p> <p>Ken asked that all investigations not accepted by DBHS be forwarded to REBHA.</p>	<p>John received two packets of M&M reports from DBHS. Item will be revisited in next months meeting.</p>	<p>John Ken</p>	
Jan-Planning Meeting Implementation	<p>January meeting handout distributed.</p>	<p>HRC will review and give feedback, and how items can be implemented in 2008.</p>	<p>Committee</p>	<p>TBD</p>

Michelle- Palo Verde Hosp.	<p>Michelle asked for update from Noel in regards to Palo Verde.</p> <p>Medical portions of TMC being looked at. CPSA plans of correction were requested by Michelle.</p>	<p>Noel reported that majority of patients where in the medical unit not in the psychiatric unit.</p> <p>Current policy under revision and not available.</p>	Noel Michelle	
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CPSA	<p>List of outstanding CPSA reports given to Noel.</p> <p>Kino refreshment</p> <p>John questions CM to CL change and whether or not this was a downgrade.</p> <p>Question regarding Carole Little and her announcement on phone transition with no plans as to what would happen in future.</p>	<p>Noel will review open reports and give follow-up.</p> <p>Can CPSA provide headers of what is included in their reports, a mock of fields used in database.</p> <p>Plans for Kino still on track, completion date remain the same. Final plans have been completed and funding will be made available for completion.</p> <p>Noel informs John that change was not considered a down grade but was a state wide decision.</p> <p>Ken reported that change did not take place in January and was pushed to March or April.</p>		
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Upcoming Meeting	Next Meeting Date March 25 th , 2008	Adjournment 12:40 PM	Joe Mucenski moved and John seconded.	
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